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Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING ARTS, CULTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2 (1) "Base fiscal year" means the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.
- 3 (2) "Culture or tourism entity" means the Greater Hartford Arts
4 Council, Stamford Center for the Arts, Stepping Stone Child Museum,
5 Maritime Center Authority, Amistad Committee for the Freedom Trail,
6 Amistad Vessel, New Haven Festival of Arts and Ideas, New Haven
7 Arts Council, Palace Theater, Beardsley Zoo, Mystic Aquarium, New
8 Haven Coliseum, Twain/Stowe Homes and Bridgeport Discovery
9 Museum.
- 10 (b) The amount of funds appropriated for each culture or tourism
11 entity during the nine fiscal years following the fiscal year ending June
12 30, 2005, shall not exceed the following amounts: (1) For the fiscal year
13 ending June 30, 2006, ninety per cent of the amount appropriated to
14 the entity during the base fiscal year; (2) for the fiscal year ending June

15 30, 2007, eighty per cent of the amount appropriated to the entity
16 during the base fiscal year; (3) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,
17 seventy per cent of the amount appropriated to the entity during the
18 base fiscal year; (4) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, sixty per
19 cent of the amount appropriated to the entity during the base fiscal
20 year; (5) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, fifty per cent of the
21 amount appropriated to the entity during the base fiscal year; (6) for
22 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, forty per cent of the amount
23 appropriated to the entity during the base fiscal year; (7) for the fiscal
24 year ending June 30, 2012, thirty per cent of the amount appropriated
25 to the entity during the base fiscal year; (8) for the fiscal year ending
26 June 30, 2013, twenty per cent of the amount appropriated to the entity
27 during the base fiscal year; and (9) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
28 2014, ten per cent of the amount appropriated to the entity during the
29 base fiscal year. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, and each fiscal
30 year thereafter, no funds shall be appropriated to any such entity.

31 (c) For each fiscal year after the base fiscal year, an amount of funds
32 equal to the difference between the appropriations for each culture or
33 tourism entity for the base fiscal year and such subsequent fiscal year
34 shall be deposited in the culture and tourism account established in
35 section 2 of this act.

36 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) There is established, within the
37 General Fund, a separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the
38 "culture and tourism account". The account may contain any moneys
39 required by law to be deposited in the account. Investment earnings
40 credited to the assets of the account shall become part of the assets of
41 the account. The moneys in the account shall be used by the
42 Commission on Culture and Tourism for (1) grants for arts, culture,
43 film, tourism, humanities, historic preservation and history, and (2)
44 tourism marketing, promotion and advertising.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To phase out the appropriations for specific culture and tourism entities and make such funds generally available for arts, culture, film, tourism, humanities, historic preservation and history, and tourism marketing, promotion and advertising.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]